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FURTHER GERMAN DEFAULTS.

Franco-British Conference.

LABOUR'S VIEW OF RUHR SANCTIONS.

New York, February 16.
Mr. Bonar Law's speech has generally had a good press in America. The New York World says it represents the prevailing judgment of well-informed persons everywhere. The word "disastrous" in the mouth of a man who habitually understates his opinion is the strongest term he could use. The Journal of Commerce says the Premier's plain speaking ought to be given the widest publicity and most serious thought.

Brussels, February 16.
The German Treasury Bills given to Belgium last September on account of reparations owing to her, and which fell due to-day, were paid.

London, February 16.
M. Trocquer and General Payot accompanied by the French Ambassador and four experts conferred for over two hours with Mr. Bonar Law, Lord Curzon, Lord Derby and the Marquis of Salisbury in Downing Street on the subject of transport facilities in the British zone of the Rhineland. The conference adjourned until to-morrow.

Berlin, February 16.
The Reichsbank has fixed the price of the twenty-mark gold pieces at a hundred thousand paper marks.

Paris, February 16.
Germany having announced the temporary suspension of contributions of machinery and other material to France and Belgium, the Reparations Commission by three votes has decided that this default must be included in the general default already proclaimed. The British delegate abstained from voting.

A Düsseldorf message says six thousand miners have struck in the Ruhr region in the Belgian zone, following the requisitioning of coal by Belgian troops.

Berlin, February 16.
It is stated on good authority that the recovery of the mark is not merely the result of Reichsbank unloading of foreign currencies, but a far-reaching stabilisation scheme initiated by the Government in conjunction with bankers and industrialists. It is intended to persist in the plan until, if possible, a parity of fifteen thousand to the dollar is reached, the Government using the money originally intended for reparations.

Essen, February 16.
The atmosphere is increasingly tense, and French activity in the Ruhr is increasing. The commandeering of motorcars continues. More French customs officers have been appointed to the eastern frontier of the Ruhr.

London, February 16.
The Anglo-French transport facilities conference was resumed at Downing Street at 11.30 this morning, and ended at one in the afternoon. It is believed it mainly concerned the British reply to the French arguments, which the Cabinet considered yesterday evening. The French delegation is leaving for Paris this evening to report to the French Government. Meanwhile British officials are most secretive with regard to the progress and nature of the discussion.

Berlin, February 16.
A message from Duisburg says a Belgian military court has sentenced the prison governor, his secretary, and the inspector to six months' imprisonment and a fifty thousand mark fine, and the expulsion from the occupied territory after the expiry of the term of imprisonment, for refusing to accept prisoners arrested by the Belgians. All the other prison officials and penal servitude men have been removed elsewhere. The short-term prisoners have been granted six months' ticket of leave, and the prison is now empty.

British Labour's Views
London, February 16.
In the House of Commons a Labour amendment to the Address was defeated by 377 to 181 votes. In the course of the debate Mr. Snowden declared that France's action in the Ruhr was not justified under the Treaty of Versailles, and aimed at the complete economic destruction of Germany's life and a further dismemberment of her political areas. The British Government's policy was weak, and contemptible. The matter should be referred to a world conference. Mr. Ramsey MacDonald declared that if France asked us to use British troops in the British position in the occupied area, for the purpose of actively helping its policy, we ought to refuse. The moment our troops were used to advance the French policy they should be withdrawn.

Mr. Baldwin said the Government believed that at present it was more likely to attain peace by maintaining friendship with France in the hope and belief that the time might come when our services as a mediator and helper might be possible and prove effective.

A COTTON WEAVING PROBLEM.

London, February 16.
The Medical Research Council has issued a report of investigations made at the instance of the Industrial Fatigue Research Board regarding atmospheric conditions for the successful weaving of certain classes of cotton cloth.

Two important methods are suggested to meet long-standing objections to operatives to the introduction of the necessary degree of moisture in the weaving sheds. One is the adoption of more suitable clothing by the operatives, and the attention of the industry is invited thereto. The other is the introduction of means for artificially increasing the air movement in the neighbourhood of operatives along certain experimental lines.

ARSENIC IN CHINESE TEA.

London, February 16.
The momentary alarm caused by a morning paper giving prominence to the discovery of arsenic in a recent consignment of Chinese green tea has been stilled by reassuring statements from "Mining Lane." The story went that the discovery was made by Customs House analysts and that the tea organisations were hastily investigating artificially coloured green tea, stocks being held up in the warehouses and their sale stopped. The proportion of arsenic in the insignificant quantity of tea distributed is stated to be very small.

IMPERIAL WIRELESS REPORT.

London, February 16.
It is stated in well-informed quarters that the Imperial Communications Committee has now sent its report on Empire wireless to the Cabinet. It is understood that the majority of the Committee favoured private enterprise, but the Post Office view, which is still strongly represented, is that the Government should retain at least one high-power station in England for commercial purposes.

DISASTERS IN AMERICA.

Gale Sweeps Continent.

(Reuter's Service.)
New York, February 16.
A terrific gale, causing havoc to shipping and other property and resulting in fatalities, is sweeping the entire American continent. Heavy snow has held up trains and other transport in many parts of the country.

Later.
A cold wave has swept the country, except Florida. The terrific gales on the east and west coasts have abated.

The British steamer Tuscan Prince was damaged beyond salvage at Seattle. The crew is safe.

The Italian steamer Moncenisla is reported to be sinking off Cape Henry, Virginia, and the woolen ship, Nika, was burned to the water's edge at Seattle. Thirty-four persons were taken off.

A sixty-mile hour gale at Pittsburgh blew off the third storey of a house and overturned smaller residences.

It is reported from Norfolk, Virginia, that the destroyer Farquhar was rammed by a battleship during battle practice off Panama. She is reported to be under convoy in a sinking condition.

Armour's Packing Plant on Fire.
Omaha, February 16.
Fire started yesterday in the Armour packing plant and is still burning. Three nine-storey buildings have already been destroyed.

CHINA'S PARLOUS FINANCIAL POSITION.

A "Times" Editorial.

London, February 16.
In an editorial on China's parloous financial position, the Times notes that the Government "scraped through" the New Year settlement, but says that as it still owes some twenty-million sterling on foreign loans and some ten-million sterling for goods it might be imagined that lenders were despondent. The paper, however, cites a statement by its Peking correspondent, that lenders are confident of eventual payment, seeing that the whole debt of China is a trifle compared with her capacity for payment, while she has never made a default. He adds that how much longer the Government can go on under the present system without falling into bankruptcy is doubtful, and urges the speedy adoption by the Treaty Powers of some such policy as approved by the Washington Conference as being the only way to save the Chinese Government. The paper concludes that there is no risk of a China collapse but unless foreign creditors bestir themselves, the dissatisfaction and embarrassment on their part will not seem likely to be lessened.

INDIAN FISCAL POLICY.

Discriminating Protection Advocated.

Delhi, February 15.
In the Legislative Assembly, Mr. Innes, the member for commerce of the Governor-General's Council, announced that the Government had accepted the Fiscal Commission's recommendation for a policy of discriminating protection for India.

When the future fiscal policy of India came up for debate in the Assembly, Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas, a member of the Fiscal Commission, moved a resolution in favour of the adoption of a policy of protection, its application to be regulated by Government legislation. Mr. Innes moved an amendment in the terms of his earlier announcement, and said the Government must retain in its own hands the selection of a tariff board of three members with legislative and advisory powers. He urged the utmost caution in adopting this new principle. Several speakers said the new policy would weigh heavily on the agriculturists, who constituted two-thirds of the Indian population.

LIVELY COMMONS DEBATE.

Fisticuffs Prevented.

London, February 16.
In the House of Commons, unemployment was the burden of the debate on the Labourite amendment to the Address. It was moved by Mr. Clynes who condemned the peace-treaty, urging the cancellation of war debts and a greater use of the League of Nations. He took exception to the statement of Sir Montagu Barlow (Minister of Labour) enumerating the Government's measures to alleviate unemployment. The discussion was practically monopolised by Labourites, and produced an angry altercation between the Communist, Mr. Newbold, and the Labourite, Mr. Macleay, which the latter's colleagues physically prevented from developing into fisticuffs. The debate was adjourned.

SINO-AMERICAN FRIENDSHIP.

"A Very Grave Incident."

New York, February 15.
Owing to a desire not to offend the guests at the banquet of the China Society, only a portion of the message from Mr. Hughes, extending cordial greetings and hoping for the maintenance of the traditional Sino-American friendship, was read. The deleted portion regretted that relations were at present disturbed, through the killing of an American citizen, the firing on an American Consul, and the failure of the Chinese Government adequately to respond to the American Government's representations with a view to the settlement of "this very grave incident." Mr. Hughes added that he hoped China would soon make such a response as to remove the shadow from their mutually friendly feelings.

THE LATEST AEROPLANE ENGINE.

London, February 16.
Arrangements have been made by the Air Ministry to construct a 16,000 horse-power semi-Diesel engine burning crude oil, instead of petrol, which will be the most powerful in the world. This engine is claimed as one of the greatest triumphs of aeronautical research in recent years.

WATERLOO CUP RESULT.

London, February 16.
At Liverpool, coursing took place for the Waterloo Cup. In the final Lord Londsdale's "Lotto," was declared the winner, Mr. T. Hartes' "Hidden Screw" being withdrawn, owing to being greatly distressed, after a hard course in the semi-final.

SOVIET-CHINESE NEGOTIATIONS.

French Note to Peking.

(Reuter's Service.)
Berlin, February 16.
A message from Moscow states that the head of the Chinese Mission has informed the Foreign Commissariat that a Note has been received in Peking from Paris requesting that the French Government be kept advised as to the progress of the Soviet-Chinese negotiations. The Note was also stated to contain a demand that no agreements altering the status of the East Chinese Railway be signed without the sanction of France.

RUSIANS TRADING CONDITIONS.

Approaching Normality.

London, February 16.
At a meeting of the Russian Section of the London Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Jones, who has recently arrived from Moscow, said that trade conditions were approaching normality. Regarding the Kara Sea trade route, he stated that it was possible to open up a vast tract of Central Siberia, merchandise from which belonging to the Russian Government, estimated at two million sterling, was already in England.

ALLIED DEBTS TO BRITAIN.

The Premier's Statement.

London, February 15.
The agreement for the settlement of the Anglo-American debt has led to questions as to whether the Government has proposed similarly to negotiate with the Allied Powers with respect to their debt to Britain. The Premier stated that he presented to the Paris Conference a scheme, but the Government retained an entirely free hand to re-open the question. He added that there was no debt due from Belgium, excepting a reconstruction credit of £9,000,000, on interest was being paid in cash.

FINAL SOUTH AFRICAN "TEST."

Russell's Magnificent Batting.

Durban, February 16.
The fifth and final Test match, for which six days have been allotted in order that it can be played to a finish, opened in glorious weather, with a moderately fast and perfect wicket. England scored 261 for 8, Russell compiling 138 not out, with magnificent and stylish play. He scored very easily, not giving a chance, and batted all day. Mead scored 67 with sound play, hitting seven fours. When the score was 171 for 2, Mead and Russell came together in a valuable partnership adding 139 for the third wicket.

ANOTHER FEVER SPOT.

London, February 16.
Armed bands have reappeared at Memel, which the Conference of Ambassadors should formerly have handed over to Lithuania today. The new development may necessitate a change of plan, because it is felt the Lithuanian Government cannot dissociate itself from responsibility. Authoritative circles in London are anxiously watching the situation at Vilna, which with the adjacent territory will be handed over to Poland to-day, under the League of Nations award, as the Lithuanians have announced their intention of opposing the Polish occupation.

Following an announcement from Memel of the withdrawal of the revolutionary government, the Conference of Ambassadors has decided to award Lithuania sovereignty over Memel, on certain conditions regarding sea and river transport, in order to protect Lithuanian and Polish interests.

THE SMYRNA BAN.

An Allied Suggestion.

Paris, February 16.
A message from Constantinople states that the Allied High Commissioners have handed Adnan Bey a Note declaring that if the Turks withdraw the restrictions with regard to the access of warships to Smyrna, the Allies will reduce the number to ten, without limitation of tonnage.

WIRELESS BROADCASTING FOR INDIA.

Private Enterprise to be Permitted.

Delhi, February 16.
The Government has decided to permit private enterprise to undertake wireless broadcasting in India, similar to that in the United Kingdom. A conference, in this connection will be held at Delhi on March 7th.

RECONSTRUCTION OF AUSTRIA.

Projected Dutch Loan.

The Hague, February 16.
Subject to Parliamentary approval the Government will participate up to one-and-a-quarter per cent in the guarantee of the projected Loan of 520,000,000 gold Crowns for the reconstruction of Austria.

KID LEWIS DEFEATED.

Loses European Title.

London, February 16.
At the Albert Hall in a twenty round contest for the middle-weight championship of Europe, Roland Todd out-pointed Kid Lewis, the holder.

CAPT. EVANS AGAIN DECORATED.

London, February 16.
H. M. the King, at Buckingham Palace, bestowed the Board of Trade silver medal on Captain Evans, of H.M.S. Carlisle, for his bravery in assisting the stranded steamer "Hong Moh" with eleven hundred Chinese coolies aboard in the China Sea.

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PEAK TRAM STOPPAGE.

A Ticket-Holder's Complaint.

We have received the following letter for publication—
Sir,—As one who has for many years been travelling on the Peak tramway, I should appreciate the use of your columns in order to register a strong protest against the Company's arrangements for the period of eight days, commencing on the 21st. instant, during which the trams are to stop running. Admitting the necessity of the service being temporarily suspended in order to carry out repairs to the machinery, I still, however, maintain that greater consideration than is being displayed should be shown towards the patrons of the trams, especially season ticket-holders.

The Company notifies that ticket-holders will have the option of getting their tickets extended for the whole period cars cease running or of obtaining a pro rata refund on such tickets. But I assert that is not sufficient. The money represented by the extension of the tickets or by the refund will not nearly cover the additional expense to which ticket-holders will be put. During the stoppage, Peak residents will have to come and add go by the Hotel motor coaches at fifty cents per trip, besides which they will be unable to go home to tiffin and will thus incur further expense under this head. The least that the Company could have done would be to hire motor coaches and allow ticket-holders to use them without any charge whatever.

It seems to me that, considering it is a public utility concern, the Company acts far too autocratically and should be subject to stricter Government control. Even its charge of fifty cents for late cars is absolutely unwarranted in the case of ticket-holders, especially when we bear in mind that when the Star Ferry Company runs late boats it makes no extra charge whatever.

Yours etc.

TICKET-HOLDER.

Hongkong, Feb. 16, 1923.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

The J. C. Williamson Co., are giving a matinee to-day at 4 p.m. of "H. M. S. Pinafore," whilst to-night "The Chocolate Soldier" will be played.—Page 4.

Applications may be made to the Macao Harbour Works Dept. for the renting of reclaimed lands at that port.—Page 4.

A notice concerning the junior championship of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club is given on page 4.

"Kismet" is the special attraction at the Coronet Theatre.—Page 12.

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Consignees are notified of the arrival of the s.s. "Saparoa."—Page 10.

An advertisement was received to-day too late for insertion from the World Theatre, stating that "Whisper" will be screened to-morrow, Sunday at 5 p.m. and 9.15 p.m.

The annual General Meeting of the Society of St. George, will be held on the 26th. inst.—Page 4.

"Stepping-Out" is being screened at the Star Theatre.—Page 12.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 2.13/16d.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS

NEED FOR CAPITAL.

London, Feb. 15.
Commenting on the Soviet authorities closing the Vladivostok branch of the Russo-Asiatic Bank, the *Manchester Guardian* says it is discouraging to note that whatever change may be occurring in opinion in Russia with regard to capitalists, the policy of the more extreme sections is still opposed to their activities. Bankers who had previously transacted business with Russia were unable to support the contention that resistance to capitalism is substantially weaker, but were emphatically of the opinion that until the Soviets come to see eye to eye with us there is no hope of the economic regeneration of Russia or the return to normal prosperity in Asia.
Until the present tangle in Europe is straightened the *Guardian* entirely agrees and says isolation is no longer possible for any country, and prosperity must be general to be lasting. It is very doubtful whether China, or even Chile, can return to or at least increase her prosperity above pre-war levels while West Europe is short of funds to supply necessary capital.

U. S. AND CHINA.

New York, Feb. 15.
Owing to a desire not to offend the guests at the banquet of the China Society only a portion of the message of Secretary Hughes extending cordial greetings and hoping for maintenance of the traditional, Sino-American friendship was read. The dated portion regretted that relations at present were disturbed through the killing of an American citizen, firing on an American Consul and failure by the Chinese Government to adequately respond to the American Government's representations with a view to settlement. "This is a very grave incident," Secretary Hughes added. He hoped that China would soon make such response as to remove the shadow from their mutually friendly feelings.

GERMAN MARK RECOVERY.

Berlin, Feb. 15.
Considerable mystery surrounds the policy of the Government in continuing, through the Reichsbank, to unload big amounts of foreign currencies, this resulting in a remarkable recovery of the mark. The press terms it a war measure.
One effect of the recovery was something like a panic on the Stock Exchange yesterday, when stocks often fell between thirty and forty thousand points. One textile company's shares dropped one hundred and ten thousand marks.

THE FRENCH IN THE RUHR.

Paris, Feb. 15.
It is reported from Dusseldorf that the economic situation in some places is more critical. A Dusseldorf firm has closed down, throwing 2,500 men idle. A number of Germans employed in the Export Licenses Office at Badens, who agreed to work with the French officials have received anonymous communications threatening death.
Berlin, Feb. 15.
It is reported from Gelsenkirchen that a French officer was maltreated by a crowd and wounded in the head. He was taken to the police prefecture.

FRANCE'S TROUBLES.

Paris, Feb. 15.
Following the strikes in the Moselle and Sarre mines and the general unrest among French miners, who are demanding an increase of wages an account of cost of living, the extremist Miners' Federation decided on a general strike beginning Friday. The resolution passed by the principal Miners' Federation, however, does not mention a strike.

INTERPORT SHIPPING MOVE.

Washington, Feb. 15.
Mr. Lasker, Chairman of the Shipping Board, has decided to recommend to President Harding the issue of a proclamation placing the Philippines under the American coastwise law, provided the Board is able to guarantee adequate service thither. This will mean the exclusion of foreign shipping between the United States and Philippine ports.

CLOWNSHLY INSULTING.

New York, Feb. 15.
Some anxiety is felt among Government officials in Washington over reports of keen resentment aroused in Japan by a clause in the new Immigration Bill, excluding anyone ineligible for citizenship. It is urged here that Japanese should not be disturbed, because the chances of the Bill ever becoming law are exceedingly small, although it is feared it will pass the Representatives. The *Herald* terms the Bill unwise, utterly unnecessary and clownishly insulting.

THE INCHCAPE AXE.

Delhi, Feb. 15.
It is understood that the first portion of Lord Inchcape's Retirement Report proposes Army cuts amounting to ten crores and Civil cuts of about three crores, including one and a half crores in the Postal and Telegraph Department.

THE MUI-TSUI DEBATE.

Forceful Replies to
Hongkong's Critics.

On Thursday last the Legislative Council resumed the committee stage of the *Mui-Tsui* Bill, the Bill entitled An Ordinance to regulate certain forms of female domestic service.
On the motion of the Attorney General verbal amendments were made in several clauses.
H.E. the Governor: Does any hon. member desire to raise any further question in the committee stage of the Bill?
No hon. member intimating any desire to do so, H.E. the Governor proposed that the Bill be reported to the Council and the Council then resumed.

Gross Misrepresentation.

The Attorney General moved and the Colonial Secretary seconded the third reading of the Bill.
H.E. the Governor: Does any hon. member desire to address the Council?

The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak: Your Excellency, I crave your permission to dilate somewhat more at length on the remarks which I made in the committee stage of the Bill at the last meeting of this Council: viz., on the gross misrepresentations of fact which have been made almost throughout the public press at home, and largely from what I can unhesitatingly describe as a malicious campaign of propaganda, whether for political purposes or otherwise I know not, but I do know that statements have been made quite publicly at home in connection with this subject which ought not to remain unchallenged and unnoticed by this honourable Council for the fair name of the Colony and the good government which it represents. If the statements of whole-sale slavery and of the selling of slaves were as true as they have been depicted, then, Sir, I think there is little doubt that it would stand for a judgment not only upon each successive Governor of the Colony who has allowed it to remain, but upon the British people of the Colony who have lived under it for the last 40 years. I am not concerned, however, in discussing in detail the subject of *mui-tsui*. I have voted already for the first reading of the Bill, and I am prepared to vote for its final stages, principally because it adds to the annals of the Colony and the laws of the Colony an Ordinance which is in keeping with other Ordinances.
Unnecessary Measure.
For my own part I do feel sincerely that in a large degree it was perhaps unnecessary because, in practice and in spirit, officially and otherwise, the practice has never received official sanction from beginning to end in the history of the Colony, and therefore it seems unnecessary to legislate on the subject. Nor would it have been necessary but for the gross misrepresentation, which has worked up an agitation and represented a somewhat horrible state of affairs which, in fact, does not exist in practice and in the experience of those of us who have lived for many years in this Colony and who know somewhat of the inside of Chinese affairs. I do not think the situation of the *mui-tsui* in a Chinese household differs so very largely in actual practice from that of a similar practice obtaining at home of adopting an orphan from one of the many orphanages and using her as a domestic assistant.

and providing her with home, food and clothing. Nor do I think that the ill-treatment which has been so largely described to us is any more widely spread than that revealed in the ordinary practice of a Magistrate's Court in any large town in England.
It is because I have so recently come from home and because both from press and platform and even from pulp one has heard such atrocious misstatements of fact that I feel they cannot be passed over without challenge by this Council, affecting as they do the reputation of the Council and the reputation of the Colony, and the reason I venture to raise my voice in the very strongest protest against such being accepted as facts by the Secretary of State for the Colonies. If it were a fact that slaves were openly bought and sold as depicted in the Press at home, would not the British Colony itself have compelled such a state of affairs to be attended to? If it were a fact that the Government permitted the purchase and sale of slaves as depicted, would not the pressure of public opinion in this Colony have forced legislation long ago?

But for the fact that certain persons with a not very wide knowledge of the subject ventured at home for purposes of propaganda, and partly for political propaganda, as I submit, greatly misstated the facts for their own ends, the subject would never have been raised at all. It is because of these facts that I desire in the name of the Unofficial members of this Council to protest against the statements which have been made widely and publicly at home, both by the Press and by certain individuals, which are a slur upon the good name and government of this Colony, which are without foundation in fact and malicious in character.

At a Seaside Church.
Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr: I desire to support in the strongest possible manner the remarks that the Hon. member for the Chamber has made in protest against the exaggerated absurdities that have appeared in the Home Press upon this subject. As an instance I would mention that when I was at Home some two years ago I visited some relations at a well-known English watering place and accompanied them to the Parish Church. The good Vicar, who preached apropos of nothing that I could see, began inveighing against the British Colony of Hongkong for selling Chinese girls in the public market place. "These are not Angles," he said, "but angels." I need not say I took the first occasion to put the reverend gentleman right on the facts as we know them here, and he told me that he had obtained his facts and figures from the public Press at Home, and that he would correct the misstatements that he had made to his congregation on the following Sunday. It has not been usual, since I have had the honour of being a member of this Council, for the Unofficials to address the Council on the third reading of a Bill; but I do not consider any apology is needed in this instance, and if it serves to give more weight to our protest against the exaggerated absurdities that I and my hon. friend have referred to, then, I think, the end is justified by the means.

Open to Abuse.
Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen: Your Excellency, I would like to associate myself with the two hon. members who have just spoken, in protesting against the imputations upon the good name of the Colony. In all the speeches made on this Bill the one that struck me as being most appropos was that of the Attorney General in introducing it. After going through the Ordinance, I believe have been influenced by genuine philanthropic motives, but some of whom it is, perhaps, clear were instigated only by motives of self-advertisement. The third reading of the Bill was then approved and the measure passed accordingly.
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A Fake?
Many of the races varied by the British Government in various parts of the world have habits and customs which do not come up to the standard of Exeter Hall, but it has always been our wise policy to leave them alone in that respect unless, of course, those customs are such as outrage humanity. I should like to have seen the Secretary of State for India, for instance, sending an order to the Viceroy to disturb some of the customs which are far less innocent and far less humane than the *mui-tsui* system in this Colony. You know very well they cannot do that, because local opinion is too strong for them. But here, with the Legislative Council that is powerless to oppose the wishes of the Government, they do not scruple, in order to secure peace and quietness at Home, to set aside the wishes of the majority of the people in this Colony.

One thing I would say in conclusion is that the support of the Bill came from a most extraordinary combination of bodies, the Chinese Y.M.C.A. and the labour unions. Anyone who knows anything of the inside history of the Colony can say perfectly well that that support of the Bill is-I hesitate to describe it-perhaps it is best to describe it as a fake. There can be nothing common or in sympathy between the labour unions and the Y.M.C.A. and they join together on this occasion for reasons far different from any consideration for the welfare of *mui-tsui*.

H.E. the Governor: I think, from Home, I would rather not say anything further on the subject, except that I desire, to associate myself with the Unofficial members in protesting against the offensive and foul-mouthed libels on the Chinese race which have been a feature of the British Press on this subject, instigated thereby by persons some of whom I believe have been influenced by genuine philanthropic motives, but some of whom it is, perhaps, clear were instigated only by motives of self-advertisement. The third reading of the Bill was then approved and the measure passed accordingly.
The Council then adjourned until Thursday next, 22nd February.

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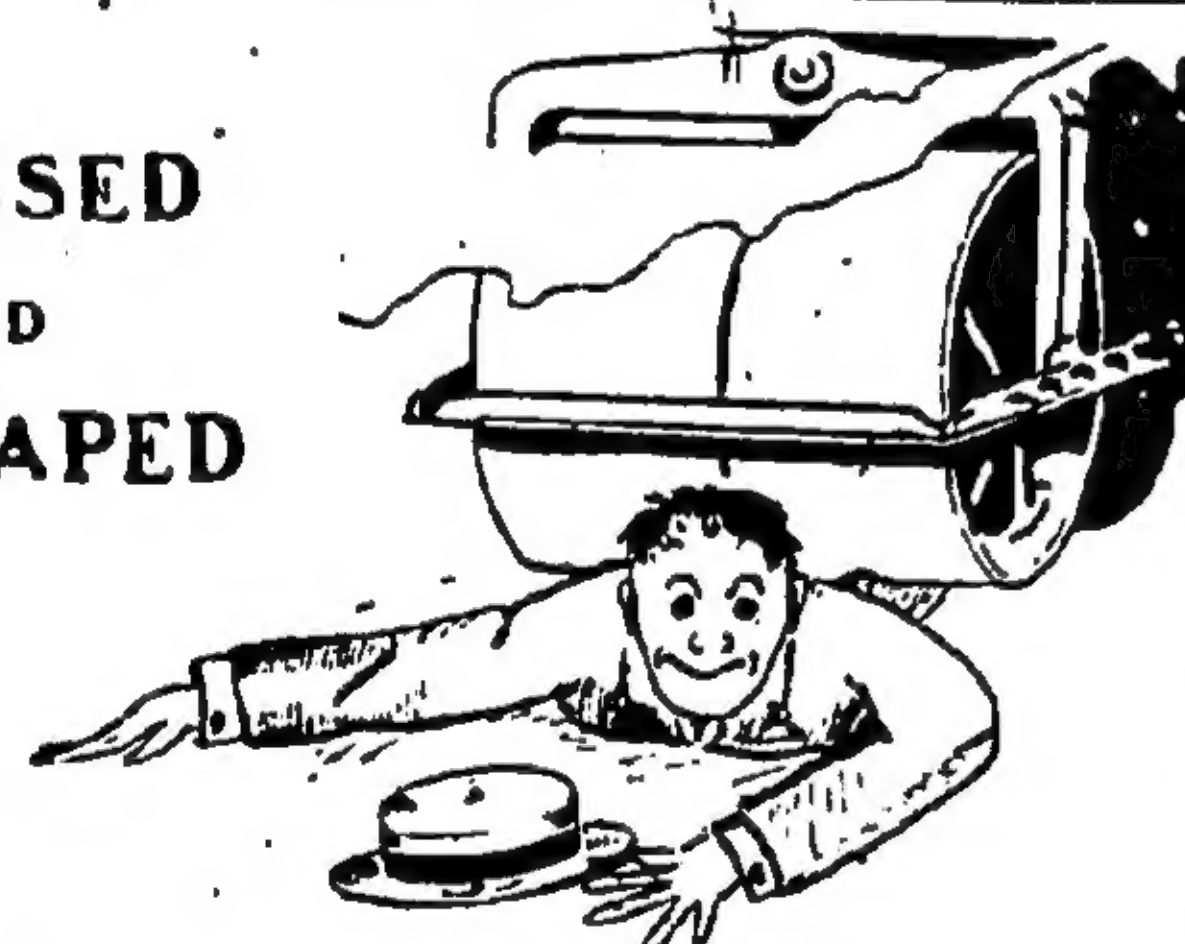
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Board of Education Report.

The following is the report submitted by the sub-committee of the Board of Education appointed to enquire into the matter of the education of British children in Hongkong:

The British children being educated in this Colony may be divided into three main classes after the Kindergarten and Primary stages, (a) children who will remain in the Colony until the age of 9 years with the intention of being sent to some preparatory or public school at Home, (b) children who will remain in the Colony until the age of 15 to 18 years with the intention of going to some University or to some University College, or Technical College at Home, (c) children who will not be sent Home, but who will complete their education here with a view to earning their living in this Colony or elsewhere in the East.

Kindergarten Schools.

Up to a point all these children will require an elementary education of one common type. We use the word "kindergarten" meaning by it classes for children between the ages of 3 and 9 years, who must be taught on the most approved modern methods. The teaching of children in this early stage has now become a highly specialized art and in this Colony there should be no difficulty in providing model Kindergarten schools. Such schools would cater for children between the ages of 3 and 9 years and would contain infants' classes and classes 3 and 7. Such schools must be set up at all points topographically where a British community exists. At present four such places are clearly indicated, Kowloon, Quarry Bay, Causeway Bay and the Peak.

It is important to realize that after the Kindergarten stage a different type of syllabus is required for these different classes of children.

Class (3) requires a syllabus leading up to and preparing for the public schools' common entrance examination at Home, and must include facilities for winning "entrance scholarships" in the public schools at Home. Such children require to be taught Latin if they are to enter on the classical side at Home, and Mathematics and French in all cases.

Class (b) consisting of children preparing for University or College Life will require a syllabus leading as far as possible to the London Matriculation and to scholarship examinations at the Home Universities. For this purpose the syllabus must include English and English Literature of a high standard, some second language (for preference Latin), Advanced Mathematics with alternative possibilities of Physics and Chemistry.

Class (c) containing pupils who intend to complete their education in the Colony and which we believe will be a rapidly increasing class numerically, should work on a syllabus designed for the Local Matriculation Examination, but which should pay marked attention to Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Geometrical Drawing, Mechanics and Applied Mathematics and Book-keeping.

A Central School.

A choice must, therefore, then be made as to which of the three classes specified above is indicated in each particular case, and arrangements must be made for the pupil to attend a school where the necessary preparation will be given, designed for the particular needs of the class indicated. All three classes, (a), (b), (c), should be catered for in one large central school, on a site as near as possible to the Tram station in Garden Road. The only objection to this scheme is to the distance which children will have to travel, but we do not see any hope of obtaining efficient education in British schools if this objection is allowed to stand. To overcome it every possible means for the easy and safe travelling of school children must be arranged. Free travelling must be provided by means of special school buses, special trams and special school launches—school buses collecting children from their various homes. Such a system has been in use with success for many years in different countries, and if properly organized should be able to work successfully in this Colony. The question of providing meals at school in the middle

of the day must also be dealt with, but we do not know of any real reason why a substantial meal should not be provided at school at a small cost for children who require it.

Continuity of Staff.

Continuity of heads of schools and senior staff must be secured. The inefficiency of the education of British children in the past in this Colony is very largely due to repeated changes of staff—a practice which must now definitely cease and heads of schools without exception, and as large a proportion of the rest of the staff as possible, should be appointed to a particular school for a minimum period of five years, and changes should not be tolerated except in the most compelling circumstances.

The co-operation of parents is a matter of the utmost importance and its lack may also be cited as one of the causes of present inefficiency. It is the clear duty of the parent to hold frequent consultations with the heads of schools and other educational authorities in this Colony as to the future career of his child and the preparation which he desires him to receive with a definite examination or similar object in view. At present Headmaster and parents alike have failed to pay adequate attention to the scholarship and other educational facilities available for boys in Hongkong. Such questions as the Peace Memorial Scholarship, the affiliation of the Local University with Universities of Oxford and Cambridge; the acceptance of the local Matriculation certificate by English and Scottish Universities; the possibilities of entering the professions of Medicine and Education through local channels require careful and constant study on the part of schoolmasters and parents alike. It is also the clear duty of parents to enforce regular attendance of children throughout the day. This has not been done in the past, children being allowed to absent themselves from school on the slightest pretext and the evil results of this irregular attendance are too obvious to require emphasizing.

In view of the fact that the system of co-education is the most popular and probably the most desirable in this Colony, we have not made any distinction between the education of boys and girls; but we are aware that a number of girls in this Colony will remain here, will marry and will form homes. For these children there should be provided in the central school classes of an up-to-date kind, but thoroughly suited to local conditions in cookery domestic science and needlework.

Recommendations.

Our recommendations, therefore, are as follows:—
1.—That kindergarten schools for children between the ages of 3 and 9 years be established on the most modern methods with specially trained kindergarten teachers in charge at the Peak, Kowloon, Quarry Bay, and Causeway Bay.

2.—That a big central school be created on a site as near as possible to the Tram station in Garden Road for all children between the ages of 9 and 18 years preparing for the common entrance examination and entrance scholarships of Home Public Schools for University or College life at Home, or for Commercial or Professional life in this Colony; with a comprehensive syllabus designed for the English Public Schools common entrance examination, for the London Matriculation Examination, Home University scholarship examinations and the local Matriculation Examination, (Latin, French, Mathematics and Advanced Mathematics, Applied Mathematics and Mechanics, Geometrical Drawing, Physics, Chemistry, Book-keeping, Domestic Science Cookery and Needlework).

3.—That proper facilities for free transit of students to the central school by bus, tram and launch be arranged.

4.—That arrangements be made for a substantial meal in the middle of the day for children who come from a distance.

5.—That continuity of staff, and especially of Headmaster and second master, be insisted upon at the central school, and that the headmastership of the central school be made a senior post in the Education Department of equal rank with the Headmastership of Queen's College.

This scheme, believed to be the best, especially in the matter of regular attendance of children.

(Sd.) T. W. Pearce.
B. Wylie,
N. Teedale, Mackintosh,
Appendix.

The question of a suitable site for the proposed Central School has received the careful consideration of the Sub-Committee. At one time, Kowloon was thought of in this connection, but after investigation, the idea was abandoned on the score that any site on the Peninsula suitable for the building of such a school would not be central enough. It was realized that the proposed School must be, as near as possible, equidistant from Kowloon, the Peak and Quarry Bay. With this object in view, therefore, the Sub-Committee thereupon considered the possibility of the Government allocating a site for the School on some part of the War Department land east of Garden Road. As we understand, however, that negotiations between the Government and the War Office for the removal of the Military are still incomplete, and that even when an agreement has been reached, a long time must necessarily elapse before the ground would become available, it was felt that to suggest a site in this vicinity would be tantamount to shelving the scheme for an indefinite period. As the members of the Sub-Committee feel that the question of the education of British children in this Colony is a matter which must be dealt with without delay, they propose that to avoid delay, the Central School be built in the Botanical Gardens. In the older portion of these Gardens are two broad terraces, and it is recommended that the building be accommodated on the higher terrace, and that the lower terrace be laid out as a playing field, with suitable provision for lawn tennis and cricket. On the portions indicated there are few trees which would require to be removed and it is suggested that the plants at present in beds and pots might quite well be transferred without disadvantage to some other part of the Gardens.

Alternatively, and if (for some technical reason unknown to the Sub-Committee), this site cannot be approved, it is suggested that the level portion of the Botanical Gardens lying between the Peak Road and Glenalee be set aside for the purpose of erecting the proposed School. This portion of the Gardens is not nearly so decorative in appearance, and while several trees would have to be removed to other parts, the Sub-Committee feel that in the capable hands of the B and A Department, such removal could be effected without causing undue loss. This particular site would also be most suitable, easily accommodating the School and playing fields.

To either of the sites there is easy access from all parts, and if the transport of the children is carried out as suggested, the roads leading to the Gardens would be admirably suited for the purpose.

In conclusion, the Sub-Committee desires to stress briefly, the following cogent arguments in favour of the proposed Central School being located on either of the two sites suggested:

- 1.—The sites are central.
- 2.—They are easily accessible to pedestrian and vehicular traffic.
- 3.—Quietude and healthful surroundings, so indispensable to a school, would be assured.
- 4.—Very little site preparation would be necessary, and delay in construction would thus be reduced to a minimum.
- 5.—The erection of a school on either of the suggested sites would not cause any hardship to that small section of the public at present using the Gardens, the major portion of which would still be available.

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(Signed)—R. STOCK, (Hon. Sec. G.R.A.)

Hongkong, 14th, February, 1923.

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The Register of shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday 12th February to Saturday 24th February 1923, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors.

A. G. STEPHEN, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 5th February 1923.

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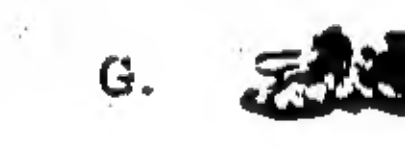


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THE FILM OF DEATH.

Paris.—After attending a cinema show at which a suicide tragedy by drowning was shown on the screen, a Lyons telegraph boy named Maurice Descombes, aged 15, went to the Rhone, jumped into the river and was drowned.

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AMOEBA.

The Musings Of A Naturalist.

The books say that he is simple, a lump of primitive jelly, a restless, ever-changing piece of naked protoplasm, which is the simplest form of animal life now visible upon the earth. The tyro reads these words with credulity, and has his moment of that wonder which we all accord to the superlative of anything. But, as he watches and studies this engaging little organism, the conviction slowly dawns upon him that the books are a little misleading. He learns, in fact, that Amoeba may be simple in structure, but that in everything else, in physiology, psychology, life history, reactions to environment, he is as subtle and as inscrutable as any of the "higher" animals, not excepting the very expert who describes him in terms which are, to the tyro, almost as difficult to understand as the animal himself.

To me he is the most fascinating bit of jelly imaginable; and he is fascinating because he is puzzling. I found him in a pond near Northenden, at the bottom of which he was living in a clove of a dead leaf and "mud," and feeding upon the bacteria which these engender. I had some difficulty in finding him, in spite of the excellence of my microscope; but I have now secured him, together with a dozen or so of his relatives (for he can scarcely be said to have brothers and sisters), in a dish with some of his own pond water and a few boiled grains of wheat. The purpose of the wheat grains is to provide a rich infusion of organic foodstuffs in which the bacteria in the water will multiply. The purpose of the bacteria is to act as a food for the Amoeba. In the pond the Amoeba acts as food for all manner of other living things there which, in turn, prey upon one another. That is Nature.

But here, in my dish, the Amoeba is under my care. I have removed his enemies, so that he may prosper. And I want him to prosper, so that I may study him and write learned tomes about him and gain kudos and be accounted among the great ones of the land. So that the wheat feeds the bacteria and the bacteria feed the Amoeba and the Amoeba indirectly feeds me. That is Man.

I need not feel worried about motives, however. While I am watching him on these cold days I may take a chill and be food for the bacteria myself—nay, even for the very worms, if it be the influenza bacillus which grips me. Thus I may return to the soil and add my quota to the ponds of some corner, "that is for ever England," ponds in which the relations of the very Amoeba here before me may be flourishing, and which will be for them all the better habitations by virtue of the gift of my mortal matter in solution.

CEASELESSLY MOVING. Sobering thoughts, these! Yet they cannot destroy the fascination of this protean marvel under the lens. He is restless, ceaselessly moving, putting out extensions of his jelly in this direction and in that, guided, so far as we know at present, chiefly by the chemistry and physics of the water in which he is. Do I warm him, he is enlivened; do I cool him, he grows sluggish. A little acid turns him away. Anything like a meal attracts him as infallibly as meat will draw the capers of a puppy. He has no jaws, of course, no mouth, none of those "chubbs" which so fascinated the horrified Mr. Polly. When he approaches anything eatable a long finger of his jelly is protruded on one side of it, another on the other side,

and the two meet beyond it and fuse. Thus the morsel is enclosed within the jelly together with a little globule of the water, and the jelly moves on, carrying its meal in what is, in effect, a temporary stomach. If the meal be a living microscopic animal, the unfortunate captive may be watched through the transparent walls of its gelatinous prison. Slow tragedy is enacted then! For the prisoner quickly feels the acid which its captor manufactures for its digestion, and frantically endeavours to escape. For many hours the unequal struggle may go on. But gradually the captive's efforts lose their power; slowly it settles down and dies; and when digestion is completed the globule in which it lies sooner or later comes to the surface of the jelly, bursts there, and the undigested remains are cast out. In other respects the structure of Amoeba is quite as simple. He has no heart, no blood, no lungs. He breathes by absorbing the oxygen dissolved in the water around him. Nor has he a brain, nor any of the sense organs which we know how to recognize. He began long before evolution had begun to locate these in recognisable structures. Yet he is every bit as sensitive without them, as are the "higher" animals, sensitive in that basic, fundamental manner in which all living matter is sensitive; and on this sensibility depends that other characteristic of living things, the power to adapt themselves to their surroundings. Without this faculty some would say that evolution, in living matter, would have been impossible without another essential property of protoplasm, the power to reproduce its own kind.

In the dish here, the Amoebae have doubled their numbers, even as the bacteria have quadrupled theirs; and both have done it by the primitive method of dividing into two. It looks so simple. The books say that Amoeba is the simplest living animal. But Nature is hardly so green as that! Not without reason has man given her the feminine gender. It is possible, of course, that if all the best brains were to concentrate for the best part of a century or so upon the study of Amoeba, we might then begin really to understand something of this "simplest animal on earth." Yet so subtle is this living jelly that one doubts whether even so Wellman a dream as this would meet with success. As I have said, it is not without reason that man has personified Nature in terms of the opposite sex.—G. L. in *Manchester Guardian*.

SPOILING FOR A FIGHT.

Flannigan had been convicted of assault and the magistrate in binding him over, said: "You must keep the peace towards all His Majesty's subjects for twelve months." "Then," shouted out Flannigan, "Heaven help the first foreigner I meet!"

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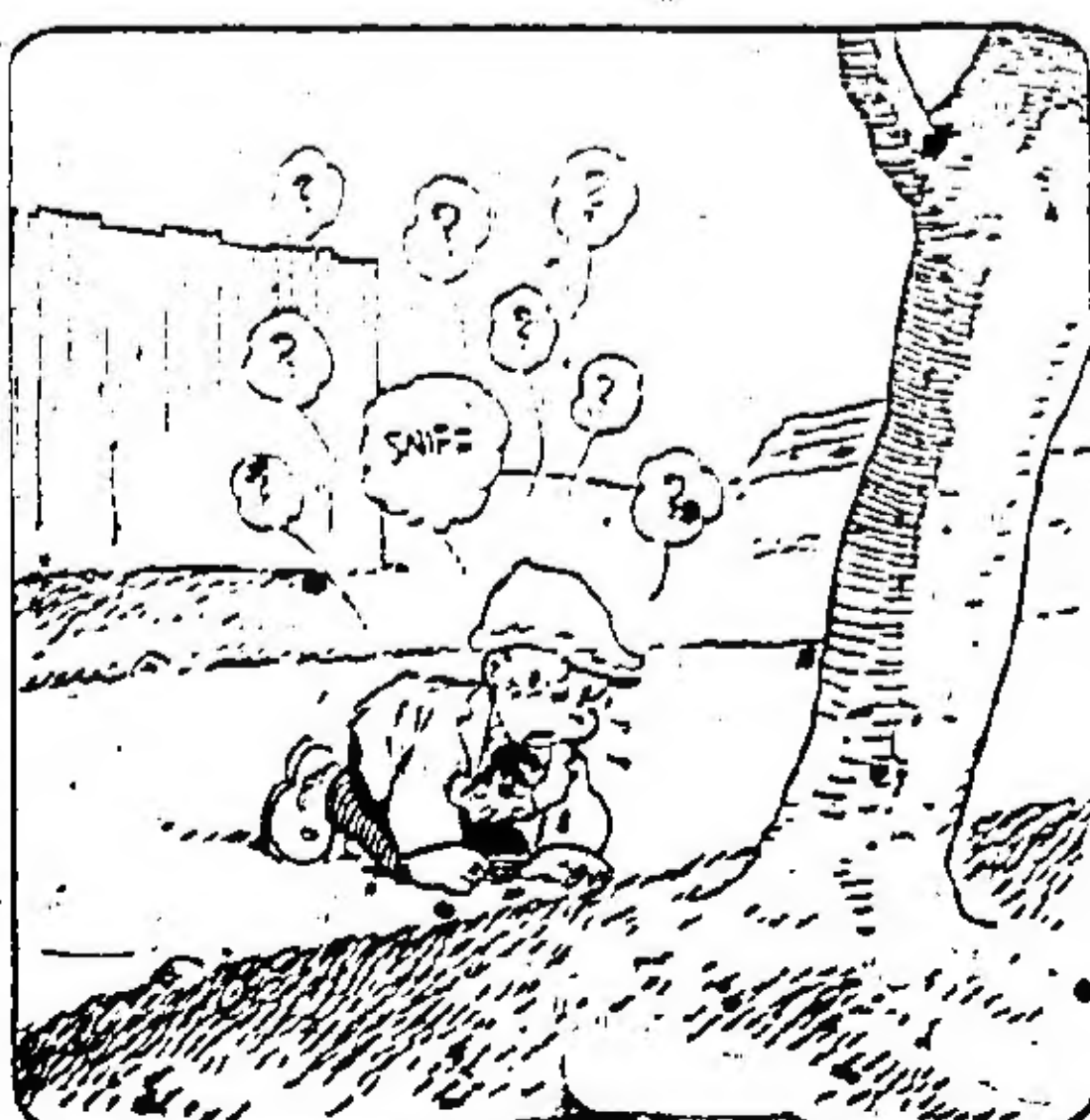
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WILSON.—On February 15th,
to Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Wilson, a
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The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 17th Feb, 1923.

AMERICA AND CHINA.

There is no doubt that the
relations between America and
China are severely strained, and
that the tension has reached a
stage when there will have to be
speedy adjustment of views in
order to avoid a definite cleavage
of friendship. A cable received
yesterday from New York
mentioned "a very grave in-
cident" as being at the root of
the trouble. This refers to the
recent fatal wounding at Kalgan,
by Chinese soldiers, of Mr.
Coltman, an American, who was
with his Consul in a motorcar.
The affair, it will be recalled,
was the cause of considerable
comment at the time. America
has demanded adequate measures
of compensation on the part of
China, and the Chinese Govern-
ment has refused to accede to
these demands unless counter-
"claims" are met. This clash
of opinion has continued for
some little time, and apparently
no amicable settlement is yet in
view.

One cannot fail to observe the
striking change in the Chinese
attitude towards foreigners that
this incident serves to emphasise.
There has of late been a marked
truculence exhibited by Chinese
officials and soldiers towards West-
ern peoples. Missionaries have
been maltreated by brigands,
whose aggressive deeds are com-
mitted practically with impunity.
A prominent British resident of a
Northern treaty port a few weeks
ago had a nasty experience with
some native police; and a Russian
has recently been compelled to
sample the type of justice—if it
can be called such—that a native
court is capable of administering.
In this connection, the notorious
series of delays in the trial of the
German, Dr. de Colbert, at Can-
ton, may be recalled. Were all
trace of foreign judicial adminis-
tration to be expunged from the
courts in China that try non-
Chinese subjects—as the Chinese
would like to see done—the lot of
a foreigner in any part of the
country would be a far from
happy one. Insecurity, of
property and even of life,
would be the common order
of things. China, we ex-
pect, will have to realise that
these deliberate breaches of her
obligations towards the subjects
of foreign Governments cannot be
tolerated.

It is a remarkable commentary
on the present attitude of Chinese
officialdom that the United States
of America should be the Power
concerned in serious controversy
with China. America has for
several years been consistently
friendly towards that country,
following a special policy of
maternal goodwill in fact, and of
all foreigners Americans, perhaps,
had least need to be apprehensive
of their treatment by the Chinese
authorities. The present situa-
tion is probably an even more
delicate one than appears on the
surface, and for China's own good
it is to be hoped that the respon-
sible parties in her Government
will do their best to settle matters
without further irritating delay.

The "Slavery" Protests.

The strong protests made by the
Unofficial Members of the Legisla-
tive Council on Thursday against
the "gross misrepresentations"
which have been current at Home
in regard to the *mutian* question
will possibly find hearty echo in
the minds of the majority of the
Colony's residents. For our own
part we are glad the Bill was in-
troduced, and we sincerely hope that
its provisions will be enforced,
because, after every possible
defence has been made of the
system, we think it is one so
liable to abuse and so near
the "British" conception of
"slavery" that it is better
to abolish it than permit
its continuance. Yet, while say-
ing that, we can join in the
protests against the campaign of
"exaggerated absurdities" and
"foul-mouthed slanders" con-
ducted by over-zealous people at
Home. We think there was a
need for the Bill just passed even
if for no other reason than to stop
foolish talk in England, though it
was necessary to point out, as
our Unofficials did, that the mere
passing of the Bill did not amount
to a confession that "slavery"
existed before its passage and was
now being abolished. The Hon.
Mr. A. G. Stephen, as is always
usual with him, contributed
the most outstanding thought to
the discussion when he spoke
of the "helplessness" of this
Government in face of orders
from the Colonial Office and when
he suggested that the Secretary
of State for the Colonies had
ordered the introduction of the
Bill in order to save himself from
the pesterings of the Home agi-
tators. That might very well be so,
and those who are jealous of the
self-governing principle should
bear the point well in mind. We
are surprised at one thing, and
that is that our Unofficials should
have left it until the third reading
of the Bill before they sought to
protest in a public way against
the campaign at Home. There
should have been protests long
before that.

The Housing Question.

We published in our issue of
Thursday a somewhat formidable
list of resolutions to be submitted
at the public meeting convened
for Friday next by the Constitu-
tional Reform Association on the
subject of housing. There is not
a great deal that is new in the
proposals put forward, practically
all the suggestions having been
advocated at one time or another
in the press of the Colony. All
the same, there will, we imagine,
be fairly general approval of the
resolutions, which touch one of
the most serious problems with
which we are faced. From the
standpoint of principle, we
agree that "the housing problem
can only be solved in accordance
with the ordinary economic law
of supply and demand," but, un-
happily, the situation at the
present moment is such that
principles have to give way to
expediency. The law of supply
and demand can work great
hardships, as everybody in the
Colony well knows, and if we had
to depend solely on its operation
for relief, most of us would be-
come bankrupt before the law
could have a chance of justifying
itself. Extreme situations call
for the adoption of extreme
measures; that is why the Rent
Control Ordinance is still
necessary. We think the con-
vener of next Friday's meeting
have made a mistake in not in-
cluding in the resolutions an
expression of opinion that that
Ordinance is still needed for the
protection of tenants—the refer-
ence to the law of supply and
demand almost reads as if the
Association disapproves of this
Ordinance which tenants in
general regard as one of the most
beneficial enactments ever placed
on the local Statute Book.

DAY BY DAY.

WHILE NINETY-NINE PARTS OF
EDUCATION IS DILIGENT AND
ORDINARY ROUTINE, THE HUN-
DRED PART OF IT IS ART.—Sir
Michael Sadler.

In connection with the public
meeting on the housing question
to be held on Friday next, the pro-
posers and seconders of the resolu-
tions will include the Hon. Mr.
H. E. Pollock, Mr. G. C. Alabaster,
Mr. A. R. Lowe, Mr. J. P. Brags,
and Mr. A. S. D. Couland. It
will be moved that the resolu-
tions be forwarded to the Govern-
ment and members of the
Executive and Legislative Coun-
cils for consideration.

It was reported in town this
morning that a serious collision
took place yesterday between
two cars on the Stanley
Road. On enquiries being
made at the Shaokwan Police
Station we were informed that
no report had been received
by the police. All that had been
heard was that a collision
occurred between two private
cars No. 174 and No. 775, but
that no one was injured.

The San Nam Hoi, a small
Chinese-owned river steamer,
trading between Hongkong and
Kongmoon, went ashore on
Thursday night at Tung Chung,
near the Tong Kiu light. A
police launch took off the pass-
enger, two Customs officers and
twenty-six Chinese, and brought
them into Hongkong. The vessel
was re-floated at high tide last
night and brought into port with-
out further mishap.

The Chinese New Year has
been remarkable for the
absence of any serious crime.
The police have a very clean
report to show, with only a
few arrests for minor offences,
such as gambling and firing
crackers at prohibited hours
without a permit. The Fire
Brigade, on the other hand, has
been kept somewhat busy in
attending to various alarms that
came through. Yesterday, a
chimney fire occurred at Wilmer
Street which was soon put out,
and this morning at 8.15 they
were again called to another
minor outbreak at Wellington
Street. In both cases very little
damage was caused, owing to the
prompt action of the inmates.

INTERPORT FOOTBALL.

To-day's Match Postponed.

The Interport football match
between Hongkong and Shang-
hai, which was due to be played
this afternoon, has been post-
poned until Monday in conse-
quence of a delay in the arrival
of the s.s. President Jefferson,
by which the Northern players
are travelling.

There were doubts early this
morning as to whether the fixture
could be played as arranged
when reports were in
circulation that the President
Jefferson would not berth until
one o'clock. Later, a radio
message came to hand stating
that the steamer could not berth
here earlier than 5 p.m., an hour
later than the time fixed for the
match. Then it became certain
that a postponement would be
necessary.

Mr. R. J. Wilton, of the Hong-
kong Football Association, seen
this morning by a *Tele-
graph* representative, stated that
the game would have to be
postponed until Monday after-
noon, but for the benefit of those
who had arranged to go to the
Valley, the Hongkong Interport
team would this afternoon meet
the United Services team which
has been chosen to play Shanghai
during the latter's visit here.
The match between South China
and Shanghai, fixed for Monday,
would be postponed to another
date.

In view of the postponement of
to-day's Interport game, it is
unlikely that the result of the
Telegraph's Football Competition
will be announced on Wednesday,
as arranged, but it will be made
known as early as possible after
Shanghai's games against the
Hongkong and the South China
teams.

The President Jefferson is bring-
ing to Hongkong, in addition to
the Interport footballers, the
Interport golf players from
Shanghai, as well as Dr. Sun
Yat-sen and party.

Bulls and Inners

From the Office Butts.

We are authorised to contradict
the rumour that the Annual
General Meeting of the
Kowloon Residents' Association
was responsible for the rise in
temperatures this week.

"What is a Banknote?" asks
the *Telegraph*. Our musical critic
says that it is one that may be
easy to reach—but difficult to
hold.

Shanghai nature note: The
stormy petrel has been trans-
mogrified into a dove! Dr. Sun
in his latest statement says he's
coming South to bring order out
of chaos!

Kung hi fat choy!

An economist is a man who tells
you what to do with your money
after you have done something
else with it.

Climate is what we have with
us all the time, but the weather
only lasts a few days.

A missing pig-pen named
"Baby" was being advertised for
in Hongkong recently. A gentle-
man is alleged to have been seen
late one evening this week calling
out "Oh you Baby!" underneath
a window. He must have been
looking for the bird!

We know several over-done
chickens answering to that name.

"New York, Feb. 9.—Traffic was
virtually paralysed last night by
a snowstorm. Over 500 extra
workers were sent out to dig the
city out." We trust they didn't
stick a pick through the roof of
the Woolworth Building in their
efforts to locate the buried city.

"Canned beef thirty centuries
old was unearthed during the ex-
cavations from Tutankh-
Amen's tomb," states a Luxor
message of Jan. 19th. We be-
lieve we sampled this particular
vintage during the war.

A writer in the *American
Israelite*: "The number of Jews in
Scotland have never been num-
erous." Probably he has never
enquired at the workhouses!

An oyster has been defined as
a fish built like a nut.

Which reminds us of the story of
the two farm lads who were din-
ing at a cafe. Oyster patties were
served. Bill, he began to poke
gingerly with a fork. "What's
the matter, Bill?" enquired the
other. "Oh, I dunno," says
Bill, "but I think something
must be died inside my bun!"

A cheerful paragraph in the
current number of *Overseas* de-
scribes how after the shooting of
two soldiers the executioners cut
out their hearts, had them cooked
and invited their especial friends
to the feast. To eat the heart of a
soldier in China is said to be
another way of acquiring addi-
tional courage. This practice,
however, is not observed in
Kwangtung.

We compliment the Hon.
Director of Education. The only
thing worse than being bothered
is being ignored.

A telegram which came
to hand recently read—
"Liam Lynch... says Liam
Deasy's proposal cannot be con-
sidered." While complimenting
Reuters on his knowledge of Erse,
he really ought to think of the
cable operators and the poor sub-
scribers.

The other day the *D.P.* publish-
ed reports from Peking papers to
throw a little light on the obscure
situation in Canton. Fine. We
wonder what the irritable
Igorrotes think of Home Rule for
Iceland!

How Hongkong folks envy the
picture screen hero when he gets
a phone number in three seconds.

Trouble with our local public
men nowadays is that to have
their say they always crowd out
the telegrams.

Dublin is now called Bail Eatha
Oliath, and conditions there are
not much better than this sounds.

Blunt criticism! The *Malay
Mail*, referring to a Chinese who
had met with a motorcar accident
states that the man "is doing as
well as can be expected in the
hospital."

Which reminds us of the classic
instance of "things that might
have been put differently," when
a Singapore paper, referring to a
performance of "Cinderella,"
stated that "the two Misses—
as the ugly sisters, were a happy
choice."

So the Peakites, the Shektoites
and the Cheungchowites have
their own reservation? Nothing
makes a hen madder than seeing
an ostrich egg.

The trouble with our publicists
viewing things with alarm is they
alarm things with their views.

A tickless clock has been
invented, but that's not enough.
MacWhirter says he'll not be
satisfied till he gets a tickless dog.

What we want is greater civic
responsibility. What about the
individual who habitually cranks
up his motor cycle every Sunday
afternoon just as we want a sleep?

Talking of motor cycles, if the
gentleman who persists in crank-
ing up the engine of his machine
just before the Star Ferry reaches
the wharf, is really so anxious to
let the world know that he owns
a piece of animated iron, we will
publish his name, together with
the lucky raffle ticket number
with which he won the machine.
Always provided he is willing to
give us an undertaking that he
will not fumigate us again with
obnoxious exhaust fumes.

Local definition of a hypocrite:
a frowning property owner.

The greatest Canton offensive
up-to-date is the garlic-eating
expectoration.

The weather will be soon here
when dancing will become a
greater struggle than ever.

Hongkong hotel-keepers are
anxious that no news reaches the
States regarding our recent dry
spell.

The *Central China Post* says
that there are far too many
Generals in Kwangtung. We
agree. Generally speaking there
are far too many Generals
generally speaking.

It's a blessing that all our
Associations do not hold their
annual meetings on the same
date. The price of newspaper is
still far off what it was before the
war.

From the look of things the
only prices that have dropped are
the prices of Chinese calendars.

The greater the building activity
the more doleful the annual
meeting.

According to a local contem-
porary, the French have prohibi-
ted the export of "mentalurgical"
products from the Ruhr. This
means a deathblow to the well-
known German canard industry.

A contemporary advertises that
Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K. C., will
preside at the forthcoming C.R.A.
meeting. It's a nice to think that,
at least in one instance, the
advice to "pull up your socks"
will not apply.

The Chairman at the Water-
boat meeting the other day in-
timated that the demand for
water is still increasing. Let's
hope this will tickle Pussyfoot
Johnson to death.

Hongkong has more than its
share of "know-alls." But think-
ing you know is never as impor-
tant as knowing you think.

Many examples of baboo En-
glish are published from time to
time, but an advertisement that
appeared in the columns of an
Indian paper must be among the
best. Here it is, word for word:
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irritating feeling afterward. A
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In a "voluntarily written
letter" to the *Chicago Tribune*
Rear Admiral—C. M. Chester
says: "... the only truthful
information that comes to this
country is through the *Chicago
Tribune*. All other news items
that reach the American public
are of British manufacture and
unreliable..." From this we
can only assume that the *Chicago
Tribune* is a "Heavenly" journal.

PHARAOH'S TOMB OPENED.

(Reuter's Service.)
(Continued from Page 1.)

Luxor, February 15.
It has been decided that the wall of the inner chamber of Tut-ankh-Amen's tomb will be opened sufficiently to allow of the contents being seen.

Luxor, February 16.
King Tut-ankh-Amen's tomb was opened to-day. In the sarcophagus many articles of furniture were discovered.

IMPROVED FOREIGN EXCHANGES.

London, February 16.
A feature of the Continental exchanges is the improvement of the French exchange to 77.15; Belgian Franc to 87.40; German mark to 103,000-107,000; Italian Lire to 97½; and sterling on New York to \$4 63½.

SCIENTIFIC CONGRESS IN AUSTRALIA.

Melbourne, February 16.
The Federal Government is inviting twenty countries to send representatives to the Pan-Pacific Scientific Congress, to be held during August and September. It has contributed £5,000 towards the expenses.

NEW ZEALAND POLITICS.

Wellington, February 16.
The House of Representatives has rejected a Labour non-confidence motion against the Massey Government by 40 to 15 votes, and a similar Liberal motion by 39 to 35 votes.

THE FRENCH LOAN.

Paris, February 16.
The Chamber has adopted the Loan Bill, the Finance Minister stating that the loan is connected with Budget balancing efforts, and in nowise related to the Ruhr operations.

THE DUTCH EAST INDIES BONDS.

London, February 16.
A New York syndicate of bankers is offering twenty-five million dollars for Dutch East Indies Bonds, similar to the recent issue in London, at the price of eighty eight.

NEW FLYING RECORD MADE.

Istre, February 15.
M. Sadle Cointe has beat the world's flying record, covering four kilometres, at an average speed of 377 kilometres, 637 metres per hour.

FRENCH MINERS' STRIKE.

Douai, February 16.
Close on four thousand miners from 5,700 have struck. The General Federation of Labour has voted in favour of a general strike.

HONGKONG CHINESE SENTENCED IN ENGLAND.

London, February 16.
A Chinese, a native of Hongkong, was sentenced to four months imprisonment at West Ham for importing half a pound of raw opium.

PRESIDENT OF FRENCH SENATE RESIGNS.

Paris, February 16.
M. Leon Bourgeois has resigned the Presidency of the Senate, on health reasons.

GILBERT & SULLIVAN.

"Yeoman of the Guard."

Before a full house on Thursday night, the J.C. Williamson Company gave another exceedingly successful production of "The Yeoman of the Guard," perhaps the best of the plays of Gilbert and Sullivan. The principal roles were again, with the one exception we have already mentioned, filled to perfection, the singing of the leading ladies being quite delightful, and Mr. Chas. Workman's final "breakdown" as realistic as could be desired. Among the audience were H. E. the Governor and Lady Stubbs and a Government House party.

"Iolanthe."

Last night, "Iolanthe" was presented to a full house and met with a warm reception. Mr. Chas. Workman made a "very susceptible Chancellor" and was obliged to repeat several of his songs in response to the applause. He was especially good in "Said I to Myself, said I." Miss Byri Walkely was charming as "Iolanthe" and her graceful acting and sympathetic singing quickly captured the "house." Her rendition of the favourite air, "With humble breast," met with the enthusiastic approval it deserved.

As the Earl of Mountararat, Mr. John Ralston was excellent, while the Queen of the Fairies was superbly portrayed by Miss Christine Loumer, who was in splendid voice.

Of the other parts, Mr. Jack Kinson as Pte. Willis could not have been bettered, and Messrs. Roy Workman, Gordon Crocker and the Misses Grace Crotty, Isabel Brodie and Rose Everson gave a good account of themselves.

Miss Paul Russell's singing was rapturously received and several encores were demanded.

To-night the Company are playing "The Chocolate Soldier."

HOSPITAL APPEAL.

Local Institutions Need Help.

In order to meet increased expenditure, an appeal is being made on behalf of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals. These hospitals are four in number and have been carried on for 35 years. Most of the patients are Chinese and the hospitals are supported very liberally by both Chinese and non-Chinese, but owing to the extension of activities further support is needed.

Last year 1,766 in-patients were treated and 49,359 visits were made by out-patients. Many residents and firms send their servants and employees to the hospitals for treatment, as it is found a great advantage to be able to secure European treatment with European nurses in charge of hospitals which are kept up as far as possible to the most modern requirements. The only charge made is for food, which is at present 23 cents per day. A small charge is made for rent in cases where separate rooms are desired; the maximum charge being \$2 per day.

The London Missionary Society provides the Superintendent and Matron, but the Committee has recently undertaken the staffing of the Hospitals. Another doctor, two nurses and a business manager and chemist have been or are being engaged, and the additions to the staff will cost the institutions at least \$20,000 per annum.

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SUN AND CHAN.

Hopes of Agreement.

Peking, Feb. 16.—Government circles are of opinion that an agreement between the Northern and Southern leaders will materialise soon. It is reported that Chan King-ming has yielded to most of Sun Yat-sen's demands, and it is said that Sun Yat-sen and Cheng Hui-shui are co-operating with a view to effecting a compromise with Peking.—Reuter.

BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE.

Peking, Feb. 15.—Branches of the Societe Francaise de Garantie de la Banque Industrielle de Chine in Shanghai, Peking, Tientsin and Hankow are being opened on February 26th, other branches are opening shortly.—Reuter.

CHINESE CARNIVAL.

Joyous Function at Hongkong Hotel.

Four hundred or so lucky sojourners in the East, will long remember the night of February 15th, on which, thanks to the enterprise of the Hongkong Hotel Company, they were able to join in the spirit of revelry which heralds the advent of a Chinese New Year.

It might be said that the evening's pageantry—pageantry it certainly was—actually commenced in the streets of the city, where quaint lanterns, flags and thundering pyrotechnic salutes proclaimed in no uncertain manner that "King Carnival" was abroad, and, passing these signs of festivity, guests of the Hongkong Hotel's Chinese Carnival caught the joyous contagion and arrived at a scene of truly Oriental splendour, eager to abandon themselves to feasting and unrestrained merry-making. And what greater inducement could they have had?

On reaching the first floor a scene of kaleidoscopic magnificence was revealed. From the ceilings were suspended multi-coloured Chinese tableaux, possibly of historical significance, flanked with small electric bulbs which shone out as gems along the corridor leading to the reveller's rendezvous, softly diffused lights nestling mid exotic flowers and greenery seemed to convey the thought that there really was such a thing as "The magic of the East."

Is it to be wondered at, then, that in such a gorgeous setting, the happy crowd of merry-makers forgot all restraint, and gave themselves up to the delightful spirit of abandon reigning in such a fairy-land? Battles with confetti and coloured streamers were gallily fought to the accompaniment of blasts from trumpets, and during the lulls an excellent repast was served, and dancing enthusiastically indulged in until midnight, the Hotel's jazz band being in great form.

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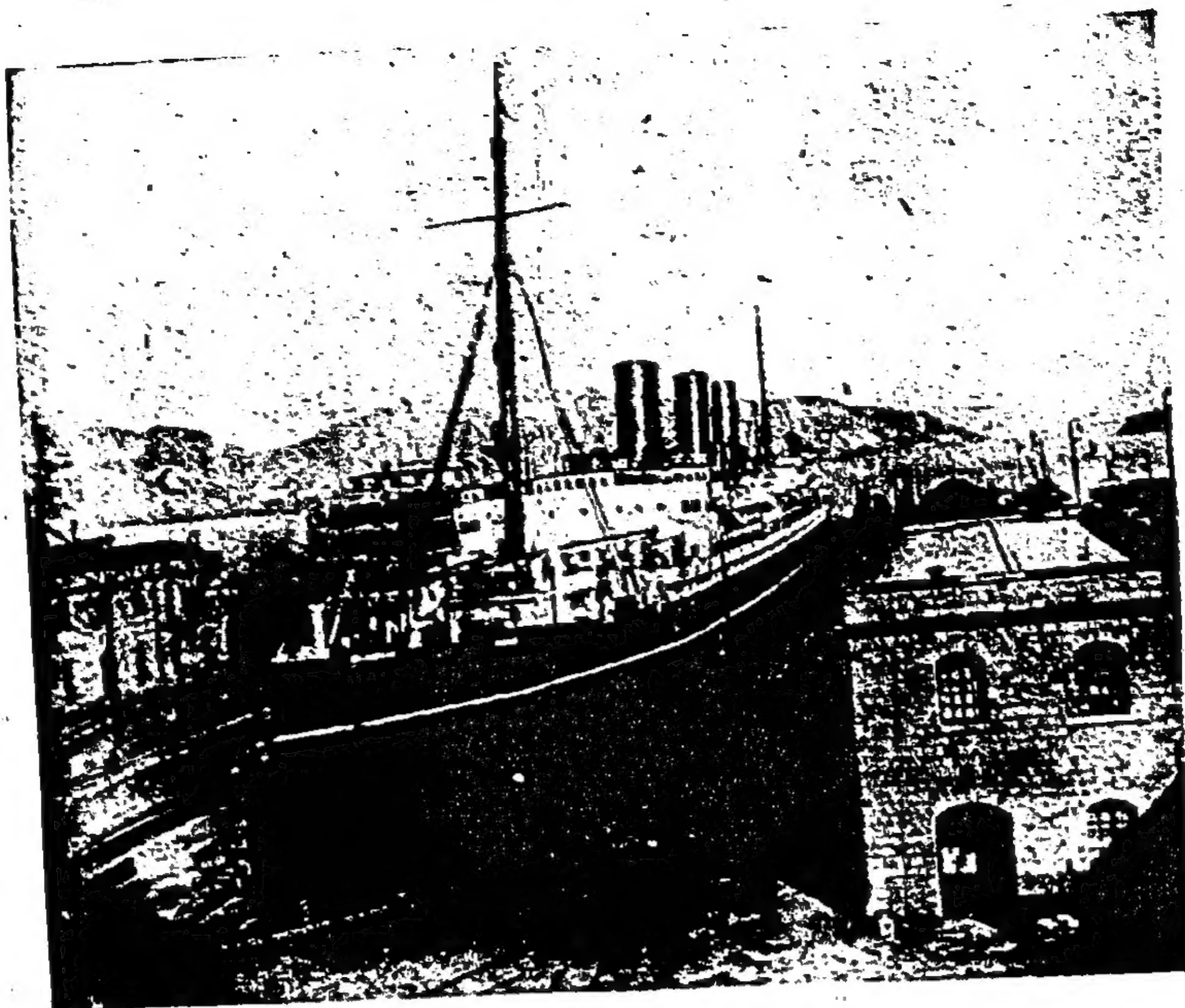
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A busy scene at Taikoo dockyard.



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Gymnastic display by students of Diocesan Boys' School.



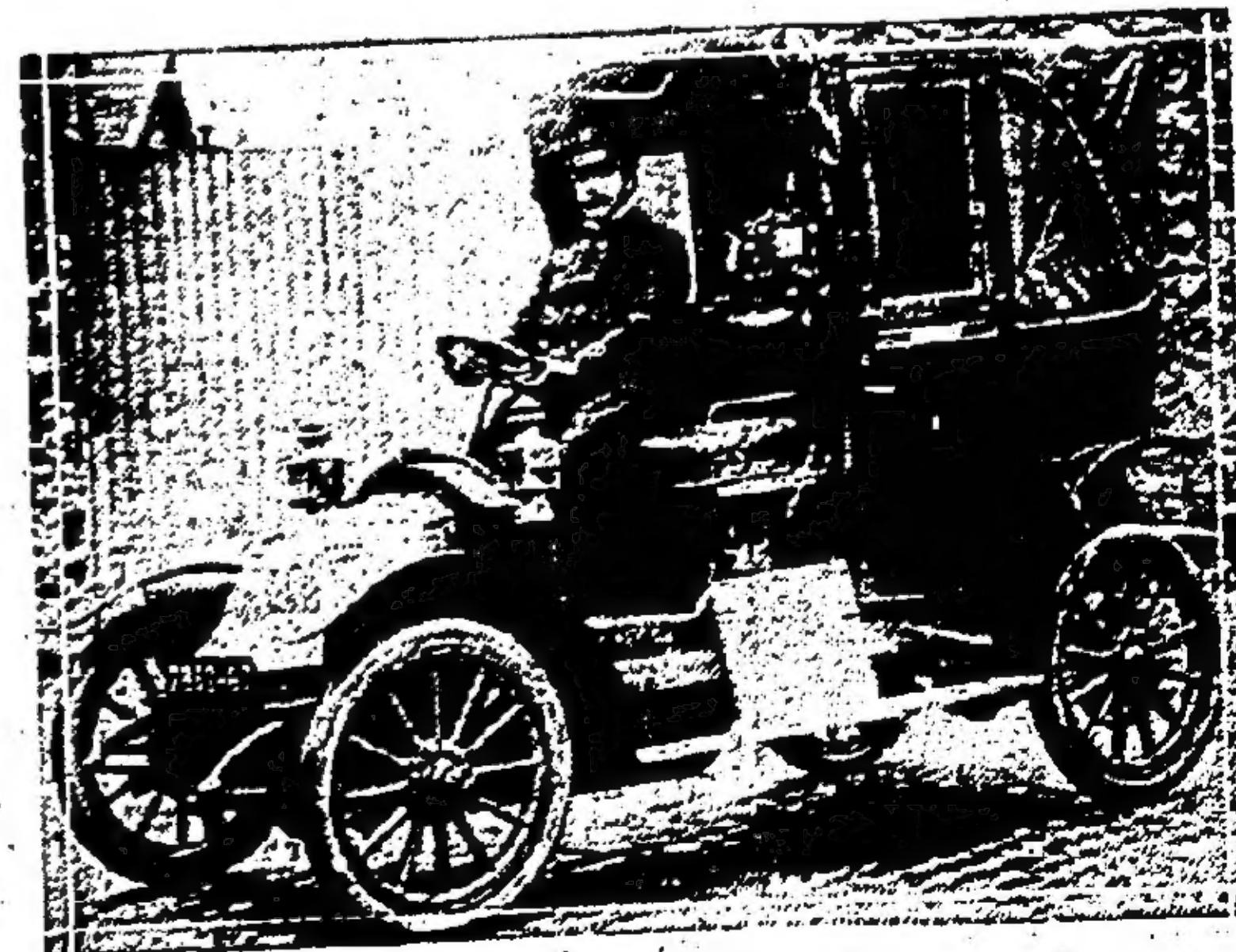
Hongkong's Child Labour. This little girl, who was "snapped" on the Peak last Sunday, will obtain protection under the new Industrial Employment of Children Ordinance.



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must be presented in writing

within ten days after arrival of

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No Fire Insurance will be

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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

General Agents.

17th, February 1923.

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S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
KHIVA	9,097	21 Feb. 4 p.m.	Mt. L'Ange, A'werp, R'dam
SICILIA	6,700	1st Mar.	Spore, Pang, C'bo & B'bay
MOREA	11,000	7th Mar.	R'bay, Mt. L'Ange, A'werp
LAHORE	5,000	8th Mar.	Spore, Pang, C'bo & B'bay
ALIPORE	3,213	13th Mar.	Singapore, Pang, & Bombay

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

TORILLA	5,200	23rd Feb.	Spore, Penang & Calcutta
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EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

EASTERN	14,000	3rd March.	Manila, S'kan, Thursday Island, T'ville, B'bane, Sydney & Melbourne.
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SICILIA	6,700	1st Mar.	Shanghai
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NANKIN	7,000	19th Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Y'ham

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Steamer	From	Expected on or about	Will leave on or about	For
Tjibodari	Batavia	7 in port	23rd Feb.	Saigon/Java
Tjipanas	Daly	10 in port	26th Feb.	Seorahia
Tjitarom	Java	20th Feb.	23rd Feb.	Batavia
Tjitarang	Java	21st Feb.	24th Feb.	Batavia

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PEMBROKESHIRE	23rd Feb.	OLENSHANE	Middle of Mar.
OLENLUCE	27th Feb.	G'ea. L. A'werp, R'dam, H'burg	
OLENADE	12th Mar.	PEMBROKESHIRE	Middle Apr.
		G'ea. L'Ange, R'dam & H'burg	

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For freight or further particulars please apply to:-

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SERVICES CONTRACTUELS

Mail Steamer	Next Sailing from Marseilles	Pro arr. at Hongkong & Sailing for Shanghai & Japan	Pro Sailing from Hongkong for M'les
ANGERS	—	—	18th Feb.
AZAY LE RIDEAU	12th Jan.	19th Feb.	20th Mar.
PORTHOS	26th Jan.	2nd Mar.	3rd Apr.
ARMAND BEHIC	9th Feb.	16th Mar.	17th Apr.
PAUL LECAT	23rd Feb.	27th Mar.	1st May
ANDRE LEBON	9th Mar.	10th Apr.	15th May

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Through Tickets to London and Leading Towns of Europe.

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IYO MARU ... Thursday, 1st Mar. at 11 a.m.

SHIDZUKA MARU ... Sunday, 18th Mar. at 11 a.m.

MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, etc.

KASHIMA MARU ... Wednesday, 28th Feb.

HAKONE MARU ... Wednesday, 14th Mar.

HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.

LIMA MARU ... Middle of March.

LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & VALENCIA.

TSUSHIMA MARU ... 1st half of March.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, etc.

TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 21st March.

YOSHINO MARU ... Wednesday, 18th April.

NEW YORK & BOSTON via PANAMA.

TORA MARU ... Friday, 9th Mar.

BUENOS AIRES via Spore, Delagoa Bay, Durban & Cape Town.

KANAGAWA MARU ... Friday, 13th April.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

WAKASA MARU ... Tuesday, 27th Feb.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

TATEISHI MARU ... Wednesday, 21st February.

NAOASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

YOSHINO MARU ... Thursday, 15th Mar.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

FUSHIMI MARU ... Tuesday, 27th Feb.

HINOH MARU ... Saturday, 17th Feb.

For further information apply to— **NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.**

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Taking cargo on through Bills of Lading for Levant, Black Sea and Danube Ports.

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Via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.

S.S. "PERSIA" ... Sailing on or about 26th February.
 S.S. "TRIESTE" ... Sailing on or about 23rd March.
 S.S. "VENEZIA" ... Sailing on or about end April.

Passengers' Luggage can be insured at the office of the Agents.

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

Regular Passenger and Cargo Service.

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VIA COLOMBO.

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Steamer	Arrives Hongkong from Australia	Leaves Hongkong for Australia
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CHANGSHA	13th Mar.	17th Mar.

This steamer is fitted with Refrigerating machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of ice, fresh provisions etc. and has superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms. A duly qualified Doctor is carried. Reduced Fares Cargo booked through to all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian ports.

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"City of Poona" 15th Mar. ... S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama.

HOMEWARDS.

"City of Simla" 24th Mar. ... Marseilles, London & Hamburg.

"City of Poona" 15th Mar. ... Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.

"City of Simla" 24th Mar. ... Marseilles, London & Hamburg.

"City of Poona" 28th Apr. ...

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COASTAL SHIPPING.

INDO CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Co., Ltd.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Destination	Steamer	Sailing
TTAO via S'hai & S'hai Loksang	Mon. 19th Feb. at noon.	
BANGKOK via Swatow Yatsing	Tues. 20th Feb. at 10 a.m.	
HAIPHONG via Hoihow Mingsang	Tues. 20th Feb. at 10 a.m.	
KOBE ... Hosang	Thurs. 22nd Feb. at noon.	
SANDAKAN ... Mausang	Thurs. 22nd Feb. at 3 p.m.	
STRAITS & Calcutta ... Kutsang	Thurs. 22nd Feb. at 3 p.m.	
SHANGHAI via Swatow Hopsang	Fri. 23rd Feb. at 10 a.m.	
MANILA ... Yucensang	Fri. 23rd Feb. at 3 p.m.	
BANGKOK ... Chunsang	Sat. 24th Feb. at 10 a.m.	
TIENTSIN ... Chiphing	Sat. 24th Feb. at noon.	
BANGKOK via Swatow Foonshing	Mon. 26th Feb. at noon.	
TIENTSIN ... Cheongshing	Sat. 3rd Mar. at noon.	
STRAITS & Calcutta ... Namsang	Mon. 5th Mar. at 3 p.m.	

CALCUTTA LINE.—This Line now affords regular sailings to Calcutta, Penang and Singapore. Returning from Calcutta steamers proceed via Straits and Hongkong to Japan occasionally calling at Shanghai.

All steamers have excellent passenger accommodation, are fitted with Electric Light & Fans and carry a fully qualified Surgeon.

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MANILA LINE.—A weekly service is maintained with Manila by vessels with good passenger accommodation, sailings from both ports every Friday.

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BORNEO LINE.—Fortnightly sailings to and from Sandakan by two 5,000-ton steamers s.s. "HINSANG" & "MAUSANG" both steamers having excellent passenger accommodation. Cargo taken on through Bills of Lading for Kudat, Jesselton, Labuan, Tawao and Lahad Datu.

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For Swatow, Amoy and Foochow and Returns.

(Occupying 9 to 10 days.)

Steamships. Captain. Leaving.
 Halong ... J.S. Thomson ... TUES. 20th Feb. at 1 p.m.
 Halong ... W.C. Parimore ... TUES. 27th Feb. at 1 p.m.
 Arrivals and Departures from the Co's Wharf (near Blake Pier.)

For Freight and Passage, apply to

Douglas Lapraik & Co.,

General Managers.

COMPANY REPORT.

Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.

The report for presentation to the shareholders at the thirty-fourth ordinary general meeting of the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., to be held on Friday, 23rd February, states:

The Board of Directors have now to lay before the shareholders a Statement of Accounts, and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1922.
 The Gross Profit for the year is ... \$984,864.66
 The amount brought forward from the previous year ... 100,617.80
 \$1,085,482.46

After allowing for the Interim Dividend paid in September last ... \$200,000.00

Directors' and Auditors' fees, etc. ... 7,700.94

Writing off 10% for depreciation on the Company's Buildings, Machinery, Launches, Lighters, etc. ... 59,934.34

\$267,635.28

The Balance to be dealt with is ... \$817,795.58

which it is recommended should be applied as follows:

To pay a Final Dividend of \$1.50 per share ... \$609,000.00

To place to Reserve for New Plant ... 50,000.00

To write off Buildings and Machinery, Macao Works, an additional ... 50,000.00

To donate to War Memorial Hospital ... 5,000.00

To Bonus to Staff ... 14,162.90

And carry forward to the credit of next year's account ... 98,633.68

\$817,795.58

Directors: Since the last Annual Meeting Mr. J. Bell-Irving and Sir Paul Chater resigned, and Mr. D. G. M. Bernard was invited to join the Board in place of Mr. Bell-Irving, and on his return to the Colony, Sir Paul Chater was invited to rejoin the Board. These appointments require confirmation.

In accordance with section 12 (1) of the Articles of Association Mr. A. O. Lang and Rev. Father L. Robert Petre, and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors: The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Linstead & Davis and Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews who are eligible for re-appointment.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.
General Managers.

WESLEY GUILD.**Missionary Demonstration in Costume.**

The monthly devotional meeting at the Wesleyan Sailors' and Soldiers' Home on Wednesday evening took the form of a missionary demonstration in costume.

An attractive programme and metropolitan platform were arranged by Mr. Mackham, who described the progress of missions in the South Sea Isles, Korea and Australasia. China was represented by the Misses Dransfield. Mrs. Luck, in the dress of the country, told of the spread of Christianity in Japan. The representative of Africa had spent years in the Sudan. An "Arab" of Mesopotamia gave personal impressions and experiences. A "Burman" spoke of missions and missionaries as he saw them in Burma. An "Egyptian lady" was introduced by the Chaplain's wife and followed by an account of the work she had seen during some years' residence in Cairo. A Hindoo gentleman recalled to memory the wide field of missionary enterprise in India. Continental missions were represented by a "Spaniard" who had spent nine years in the country of Don Quixote, where ignorance and superstition linger and where rationalism is an ever-growing menace.

The annual devotional meeting proved both interesting and instructive.

BOY'S DYNAMITE TOY.

"To beat the bang," a nine-year-old Burton-on-Trent boy threw a cartridge on the fire. It proved to be a dynamite cartridge, and as the result of the explosion, which startled the neighbourhood, he lies in hospital in a serious condition.

NANYO YUSEN KAISHA.

The South Sea Mail S.S. Co., Ltd.)

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For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.

S.S. BORNEO MARU Sailing on or about 18th Feb.

For further particulars please apply to:-

T. WATANABE,

Manager.

Tel. Central No. 2206.

Second Floor, Prince's Building.

